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§1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the statement. 37 C.F.R.
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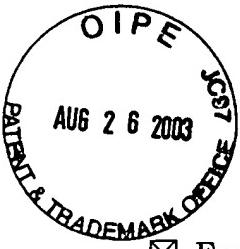
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5. A list of 4 reference(s) is in the enclosed Form PTO-1449.



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- Enclosed is a search report for a counterpart application.
- The specification incorporates comments on the relevancy of Non-English language references.
- Set forth below are comments provided by the applicant's home country counsel on the relevancy of non-English language references:

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